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I missed out, but when I saw them
 & got my hands on them I felt so
 happy all of a sudden - everything
 was good & bright again because
 I had letters from my wife. I am
 beloved, they mean just everything
 to me. I'm afraid I've spoiled ^{each other}
 selves with such frequent letters,
 but it's nice to spoil the one you
 love so dearly, & in turn be spoiled too,
 & our letters do make just all the dif-
 ference in the world to us now &
 help us to put up with being apart.
 I'm sure I'd go nuts without them
 sweetheart.

Besides yours three there was one
 from Uncle Charlie dated 23rd Jan
 & your parcel of mantles - in perfect
 condition. Thank you sweet for the
 mantles, I'm afraid they were a bit
 of bother to you but now we have
 a good light & smiles has one too.
 It's strange how they arrived -
 the parcel had a 2^d stamp & the

Katherine postmark on it. I think I would have saved you a lot of bother if you'd just posted it ordinary air-mail dead - it would cost 3^d a half ounce but it didn't weigh so very much. It must have come through from Katherine by civil ops & in the post bag as I checked up on all the possible places of arrival in Darwin & no one had it, & today it came through with the mail. Anyhow the main thing is that it's arrived in good condition & thanks to you all our light problems are solved. In fact I took a couple of snaps by lamp light tonight but I have my doubts as to how they turned out. I must collect the print of the others tomorrow - they weren't finished before I left.

We had a good trip back & no trouble at all except for a mix-up over the mail. Another aircraft had collected it yesterday but

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didn't make the trip & instead of taking
it back to the P.O. just left it in the pile,
consequently when I collected from
the P.O. this morning they thought that
I had gone & I collected only a
bit of later stuff. We arrived here
before lunch with our little bit
& the other chap didn't arrive till
just before tea which explains
why there weren't any letters for
me from you.

Darling I can quite see your point
when you say you'd rather read my
news over the phone to Adeles - it would
be easier for you. For all that I don't
think I'll cut down on the pages that
are just for you - I think you can
manage to cope with them when it
comes to passing the news on & perhaps
you do like a little bit just for you.

Strange about the Saturday night
clearances - Adelaide made me
particularly keen with their 8.45 pm
clearance.

You did very well to get through
the pint of beer sweet - as is that
when I'm home you're just good to
me & let me have most of the bottle.
I'll have to get you in the gray one of
these nights & see how you go! I'm
glad you enjoyed your evening
with the Walsleys & the Repertory
show was a good one.

Thanks for the cutting about Spence,
then I saw him swim in Adelaide &
he said he didn't know much about
back stroke but apparently he's been
some since.

I seem to remember that the univer-
sal in the car was worn, its a
fabric affair & will be all the better
for being renewed - a good thing. It's
just as well to get some return for
it.

You say Jan will be a much more
sympathetic person on our next
leave. I hope her memory holds out
till then, I think is rather short in

matters side that but here's hoping. I'm
 sure that it will take more than lack
 of sympathy from the family to set us
 back though loved - I said I'll just
 laugh at them if they don't like our
 schemes & arrangements. I think
 Jan & Bob must have gone in for a
 much more strenuous life than
 will be looking for - maybe they
 don't appreciate a nice quiet afternoon
 or evening with nothing to do except
 be together, or if there is plenty to
 do they don't enjoy the luxury of
 just forgetting about it & concentrating
 on each other. I think we can do
 that very well sweetheart.

The woman in Woman & Beauty
 seems to have the right idea I think,
 & what's more it makes me very
 happy to know that my wife has those
 ideas too - not that I didn't know before
 loved - I did - we've both known
 what our wishes are, but we don't
 get the chance to try them out. Oh

well only eight months & eight days to go now! I do like your reference to our evenings together when Judy & perhaps our baby are in bed - it's rather wonderful to think about it all & the wonder of it is - it will be so before so very long. Oh loved Evan & all that so badly.

From what the doctor says there's no need to worry about Jay - that's a good thing.

Don't send any letters with a sugar dear, we can get plenty here if we want it, but even so we don't bother much about our own suppers as we did in the A.C. I think I should be sending you parcels - I saw lots of vegetable in the canteen & tinned fruit is very plentiful. Yes we have a well stocked canteen & can get most things we want. I won't hesitate to tell you anything I do want darling.

I'm glad our new year arrange

ments are OK with her - & Judy too! Seems as if you'll have some bother getting a house though, I think it would be easier for you to ring up Safety & enquire from Smith as to the address - as anybody.

Darling I am sorry my letters are taking so long to reach you - that's not good enough at all! Don't you dare wonder if I'll get tired of frequent letters - I'll never do that I think you know it too. I'm not binding myself down to writing each night sweetheart, I don't want you to either - it's just that I seem to feel like writing to my wife fairly often. It is a good feeling to realize that it is easy to write to each other but if we can just write our thoughts & know that the other will understand. Maybe it's cool in love.

Don't worry about my old ham-
anoid dear - he's completely docile

hasn't bothered me at all but if he
does - I'll take him to the doc straight
away.

How nice such an understanding kid
believed - after I'd written about you
"hang on the head" I wondered if I'd said
too much of it & thought you may
think my attitude strange. I didn't
really know I can quite see
I had no cause to. You say it's good
getting to know the "real" me & my
sweet it's good to have my wife know
me. It's so very wonderful to talk
to you about things that I've always
kept shut up inside me & to know
that you'll understand. It's a completely
new experience for me sweet - it's a
bit like putting my very soul in
your hands & I was only able to do so
because of the implicit trust I have
for you. It's rather nice.

The pads & envelope will do with the
shorts & deas. I'll get local ones to fill
in.

Darling the breadhouse built in 1800
 round Benza & I'm sure Joyce will
 appreciate it. It's really expected
 tomorrow - latest information but
 Roy is contentedly reading Shakespeare
 at the moment - he's just finished
 writing to the lass. Don't know
 the name they're thought of.

The brake cable would be less
 than ten bob I think - the back ones
 are - as were - 5/6 each but don't
 worry about them spending a bob
 or two on it.

Before I forget will you send
 me two linen watch straps that
 I have somewhere around probably
 in the top right drawer. If you can't
 find them will you get me one - width
 not more than 5/8". Mine gave up the
 ghost today.

Sorry about the snap not
 being enclosed. I'll have a hunt
 around & see if I can find it here.
 That's a mean trick to play on you

Thanks for the news of Mill - Linda
 bit restless too but from the opposite
 point of view. Maybe I'll write when
 I have the mags. Must write to Ken
 Barrigan too.

The May holiday seemed a bit
 silly to me - far too long. It should
 be nice with your Dad for the week,
 & he'll enjoy it too. Hope you enjoy the
 hills.

The block of land & a couple of
 army huts would be the goods - if we
 could get the block. Maybe someday
 we'll have something like that, it would
 be just a bit nice.

I think Don Togg used to belong
 to the Hewing Club - I remember the name
 & would probably remember him if I
 met him but I can't recall him now.

Sweetheart I want going to have a
 week on our own somehow - it will
 be so wonderful to have you all to
 myself. If all else fails we may
 have to try a pub - if we can get one!

to have no. If we did spend it at home
 we'd have a fair shot at discouraging
 people who expected us to go places. &
 for the phone - we might be getting rid
 of it around then. Well see darling
 we'll work something out in the next
 eight months & and leave when it
 comes is going to be so good. After
 at the Bay by what we want & though -
 of course I suppose I'd have to put up
 with a screaming wife here, but I
 think I could stand that. I've
 often thought of you putting lotion on
 my face too - that time seemed to
 stand out & remember - perhaps because
 I felt so full of love for you beloved.
 Oh sweet I do like your idea of
 "home" for you - you put it so mas-
 sachusetts & it does sound so much
 like the thing I long for so.

Must be bed now my loved one. Huggles
 to pray & hope she's well again. To you my
 so very precious darling just every bit
 of love from your own loving adoring
 W. H. Wilson
 P.S. Love you Murray

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